

Parker Pillsbury

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Mrs. Maria Weston Chapman
Weymouth
Mass.

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I
hope you
will not lay too
much stress on my al-
lusion to Mrs. Tillsbury. She
will never be sent to Perdition
for any idolatrous love of England
on the English.

She is very patriotic.

LONDON, July 28 - 1847.

Dear Mrs. Chapman -

Just as was to be expected, Mr. Webb has no hope of real good to the anti-Slavery cause from another visit to St. Britain - even though made by Wendell Phillips himself. Not even he with all his matchless eloquence and power, would be able to melt a heart or move a hand in our behalf, in all the three Kingdoms. So thinks Mr. Webb. I have a better opinion of British humanity than that. So thought Mr. Webb of Dublin. But Mrs. ^{Farnes} in the very last months of my stay in her country, opened even Dublin, so that not Mr. Phillips, but my humble self was able to add greatly to our strength there; and it constituted the pleasantest part of all my Mission.

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It involved neither conflict
nor contact with New Organ-
isation, New Broad-Street,
Soylascity nor any other
unclean thing. I enclose
Mrs. Webb's letter.

Which letter after all,
is rather favorable to my
going to that country. But
I wish Mr. Webb felt that
the Mission should, could, and
doubtless would result most
happily to the cause.

We must gain some
thing there, & that soon; or
we shall lose all. My white
ary register since going there
first, now numbers an Estlin,
an Ashurst, a Carr, a Welch,
a Norton, a Young, a Atten-
ton, a Thomas, a Hinde and
a Mrs. Messie; noble spirits
all! and soon we may have

to place Miss Martineau in
the same sad scroll, &
who alas, are to fill all these
places! And sach places
too. Few indeed does any
one generation boast, with
some of them.

I have a letter from
Mr. Phillips since your last,
encouraging my going very
much, but it would be pleas-
ant to hear from one or two
others abroad.

My wife preserves a
singular silence on the sub-
ject. I do not know that she
has ever answered the letters
of yourself & Mr. Phillips to her.
I could wish her vision
a little more comprehensive;
but probably there are but
few whose own little world
is not enough for their view.

a Kingdom probably fills
the eye of its sovereign, be it
a continent or a kitchen; and
we doubtless often expect too many
of persons, neither begotten, born
nor early educated into a single
progressive principle; but in every
respect, expected to gravitate in
the opposite direction.

Thanks for your last letter.
If a word fit for the Liberty Bell
is revealed to me, it shall be
forthcoming. I will at least try to write.

I am going on Friday or Saturday, to
Providence, and shall be at Valley Falls
the guest of Mrs & Mr Samuel Chase. Mrs
Chase you know as a daughter of Mr. Arnold
Bassett, and a most glorious woman.
Will you not in the course of this week,
return me Mr. Webb's letter, to Mrs
Chase's care? and give me with any
new light or thought you may have, on
my contemplated tour. - And believe
me ever & always

Most sincerely & truly Yours
Father Pillsbury

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